

Amendment after Final Rejection under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Applicant: Frederick A. Perner et al.

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Title: MEMORY WITH CONDUCTORS BETWEEN OR IN COMMUNICATION WITH STORAGE UNITS**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4, 7-12, 21-31 and 34-37 are pending upon entry of this Amendment. By this Amendment, claims 1-2, 9, 21, 23, and 30 are amended, claims 5-6 and 32-33 are cancelled, and new claims 34-37 are added.

The January 27, 2005 Office Action rejected claims 1-5, 7-12 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Schwarzl et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,351,408), claims 21-22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) over Gallagher et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,640,343), and claims 23 and 25-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over Kim (U.S. Patent No. 6,788,570). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Allowable Subject Matter

The January 27, 2005 Office Action indicated that claims 6, 24 and 29-33 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By this Amendment, independent claim 1 is amended to include the features of original dependent claims 5-6, independent claim 21 is amended to include the features of dependent claim 32, and independent claim 23 is amended to include the features of dependent claim 33. New independent claims 34-37 are dependent claims 29-31 and 24, respectively, rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicants submit that independent claims 1, 21 and 23, their dependent claims, and new independent claims 34-37 define patentable subject matter.

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Applicants submit that entry of this Amendment After Final Rejection is proper, because it merely accepts subject matter indicated allowable in the January 27, 2005 Office Action.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

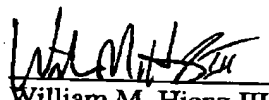
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